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SUBJECT: Meeting with the LOS ANGELES TIMES

I suggested that you meet with the LOS ANGELES TIMES editorial board and a few other of their more influential staff for an off-the-record session because the paper is respected and has been critical of the Administration's and our role in Central America. The board members and others will certainly ask questions on this topic and to the extent security permits I hope you will enlighten and disabuse them appropriately. Aside from Central America, I think they are interested in a tour d'horizon of the world using the question and answer format much along the lines of the ABC lunch which I thought (and ABC thought) went very well.

I will meet you at the LOS ANGELES TIMES and accompany you to this lunch.

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